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**Subject:** Re: FW: EJ Bill

Thank you, Betsy! It was a pleasure seeing you at the BPMD meeting yesterday. I am particularly hopeful that the site definition discussion will be helpful in addressing some systemic issues we have been experiencing at the BPMD site.

I appreciate you sharing the PFOA/PFOS guidance. It seems to align with the way we are addressing PFAS sites at federal facilities under CERCLA. The fact that no discussion regarding other PFAS compounds, besides PFOA/PFOS, is interesting. Please keep us posted as your conversations progress. Never a dull moment where PFAS sites are concerned!

Thanks,  
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On Wed, Jan 22, 2020 at 6:02 PM Smidinger, Betsy <[Smidinger.Betsy@epa.gov](mailto:Smidinger.Betsy@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hi Jen and Tracie – Thank you for attending the BMPD FLMA meeting today. I thought we had a very productive meeting this morning and may have gotten to the root of the problem on some issues we've been experiencing.

I'm following up with Tracie from our discussion during break. Here is the EJ bill info that I saw yesterday....you may be already aware of this but I found it interesting in the context of VB-I70.

Also, I'm attaching a PFAS/PFOA guidance that was recently issued by OLEM. We had a national call with OSRTI and the regional SF DDs. There were numerous implementation questions raised that we are still working through, but I wanted you to be aware of this.

Thanks for being great state partners!

Betsy

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**Subject:** FW: EJ Bill

EJ Steering Committee and EJ Action Team,

Please see the link below for an exciting development in Colorado's focus on environmental justice (EJ). This EJ bill, as currently written, would:

- raise the maximum fine for air and water civil violations;
- authorize funds from water quality fines to be used to pay for projects addressing impacts to EJ communities;
- allocate funds from air quality fines to a newly created community impact cash fund for environmental mitigation projects (EMPs),
- create an environmental justice advisory board to recommend EMPs in response to violations or alleged violations that affect EJ communities; and
- create an EJ ombudsperson position within CDPHE who serves as chief staff to the advisory board and advocates for EJ communities.

I'll keep you updated as I learn of any significant developments regarding this Bill.

Corbin

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Hi Corbin,

You can see the recently introduced EJ bill here: <https://leg.colorado.gov/bills/hb20-1143>

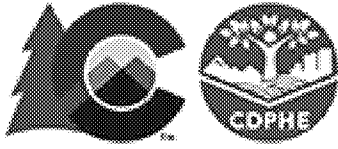
We will have to see how this changes through the amendment process and if it ultimately passes, but this would provide some important EJ improvements.

Thanks,

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